

REMARKS

In the September 22, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner noted that claims 1-6, 14-19, 25-31 and 37-53 were pending in the application; and rejected all of the claims under the second paragraph of 35 USC § 112. The reason given was "insufficient antecedent basis for ... [the] limitation" (Office Action page 2, last two lines) recited on lines 14-20 of claim 1 and the similar limitations recited in the other independent claims. In a telephone conversation on December 7, 2005, the Examiner clarified that this "insufficient antecedent basis" was not a lack of antecedent basis in the claims, as usual in such rejections, but rather was a lack of support in the specification.

In response to this rejection as clarified on December 7, the independent claims have been amended to recite what is displayed under what conditions as described at, e.g., page 14, lines 1-5; page 20, line 11 to page 21, line 1; page 24, lines 1-11 and page 26, line 27 to page 29, line 4. Specifically, when an image is previously stored, the system obtains "the display position information from said first storing section and display[s] ... said image at the location indicated by the display position information and at the image magnification ratio on said display screen" (e.g., claim 1, last three lines). If the image is not previously stored, the image is displayed "at the image magnification ratio, which has been calculated by said arithmetic section" (e.g., claim 1, lines 16-17).

It is submitted that the claims as amended are fully supported by the specification. Since these amendments will reduce the number of issues on appeal, entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested. Since no other rejections were made, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance.

Summary

As discussed above, it is submitted that claims 1-6, 14-19, 25-31 and 37-53 are in a condition suitable for allowance. Entry of the Amendment, reconsideration of the claims and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

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If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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